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OR,

Curious Amuſements for the INGENIOUS.

To which are Added the moſt

Material Occurrences Foreign and Domeſtick.

Perform'd by ſome of the Society of GENTLEMEN, Concern'd in the Firſt and Second VOLUME, with the Aſſiſtance of other Ingenious PERSONS.

From **Wedneſday** June 28th. to **Friday** June 30th. 1710.

Courteous Gentlemen,

Q. *I Humbly crave your Opinion, concerning the Redemption Purchaſed by* Chriſt Jeſus. *Whether or no it was Univerſal (as ſome imagine) or only for his Elect, as others hold. Pleaſe to ſet this matter in a clear Light, and Inſert it in your next Paper, which will ſignally Oblige,*

Your Admirer, H. H——ks.

A. The Expreſſions of Scripture are ſo plain and full upon this Poinr, that it is impoſſible for the Wit of Man to contrive any Words that ſhall more Emphatically deliver any Doctrin or that are leſs liable to Miſconſtruction, however the abſolute Predeſtinarians have made a ſhift to pervert and darken the Senſe of them. For St. *Paul* ſays, *that* Jeſus Chriſt *gave himſelf a Ranſom for all; that he Taſted Death for every Man; that* God *was in* Chriſt *Reconciling the World to himſelf.* And St. *John* Teſtifies, *that he is the Propitiation for our Sins: And not for ours only but alſo for the Sins of the whole World.* So far is the Scripture from aſſerting that *Chriſt* Died only for the Elect, that there are manifeſt Declarations that he Died even for the Sake of thoſe who may and do actually Periſh, which ſtill more fully Explains and Corroborates the Senſe of the *Univerſal* Expreſſions now mentioned and ſhews that they are capable of no manner of Exception. For thus it is ſaid, *Deſtroy not him with thy Meat for whom* Chriſt *Died*; and again, *Through thy Knowledg ſhall the Weak Brother Periſh for whom* Chriſt *Died*; and again, *There ſhall be Falſe Teachers who Privily ſhall bring in Damnable Hereſies, even denying the Lord that bought them.* Notwithſtanding tho' all Mankind have Naturally an equal Right to the Benefits of Chriſt's Redemption, yet how it comes to be Ineffectual to many is well enough Explain'd by the following *Simile.* Suppoſe a Prince having many of his Subjects Slaves in a Foreign Country, agrees with the King of that Country for the Redemption of them all, and pays the Price that was agreed upon, they are all equally Redeemed: But yet ſome living in Remote and Obſcure Parts of the Country may perhaps never hear of this Redemption, and others may prefer Slavery to Liberty, and ſo both looſe the Benefits of it.

Q. Gentlemen, *Being ſome time ſince in ſome Company, there was a diſpute among them Concerning the* Virgin Mary's *Father. Some ſaid that* Hely *was her Father, becauſe it is ſaid in the* 3d Chap. *of St.* Luke, 16th Ver. Joſeph which was the Son of Hely, *when it is ſaid in the* 1ſt *of St.* Matthew *and* 16th Ver. *That* Jacob begat Joſeph. *I would deſire you to Explain this in one of your Papers. And you will Oblige,*

Your Humble Servant, F P.

A. We have already Anſwered this Queſtion, N°. 12. of this III. Vol. by ſhewing that the Genealogy of *Joſeph* is deſcribed by St. *Mathew*, and of the *Virgin Mary* by St. *Luke*, by whom *Joſeph* is called the Son of *Heli* only as being Husband to *Mary Heli*'s Daughter.

Q. *Upon Suppoſition of the Earth's Diurnal Motion round its Axis, it muſt neceſſarily follow that Places at or near the Equator muſt move Swifter than thoſe that are farther from it. Suppoſing then any Place under the Equator to move in the ſpace of* 24 *Hours*, 21600 Geometrical Miles (*a* Geometrical Mile *being equal to a Minute of a great Circle in the Superficies of the Earth*) *which is* 900 *Miles in an Hour, and* 15 *in a Minute, how is the Swiftneſs of Motion of any other in a given Latitude to be found: For Inſtance, how Swift is the Motion of the City of* London?

A. The General Rule is, as Radius is to the Sine of Complement of Latitude given, ſo is the Swiftneſs of Motion at the Equator to that which is required in the Place given, According to this Rule *London* muſt move 13416 *Geometrical Miles* in 24 Hours, which is 559 in an Hour, and $9\frac{1}{3}$ in a Minute.

Q. Moſt Worthy Gentlemen, *I once made bold to Trouble you concerning the meaning of the* Magel-

lanic-Clouds, *which was Anſwer'd very much to my Satisfaction. I now deſire to know the true meaning of Variation, whence it proceeds, and why it ſhould be more in ſome parts of the World then in others, and the Reaſon of its Change; for now it is* Weſt *Variation here in the Channel, and not many Years ago, it was* Eaſt. *In ſo doing you will Infinitely Oblige,*

Your Humble Servant, G. B.

A. For the Explication of the wonderful *Phænomena* of the Variation of the Compaſs, we cannot think of an Hypotheſis more plauſible than that of Mr. *Halley*. He ſuppoſes (according as *Kepler* had done before) the External Parts of the Earth to be as a great hollow Globe, in which is included another Concentrical Globe with a Fluid Medium between. Both of them have the ſame Axis of Diurnal Rotation, only there is ſome ſmall Difference in the Swiftneſs of Motion of the outer and inner Sphere which in Length of Time becomes ſenſible, and by which means the one muſt advance more to the Eaſt or Weſt than the other. Suppoſing then theſe two Spheres to be two Magnets, each of them having two Poles diſtant from the Poles of their Diurnal Rotation, thoſe of the inner Sphere by Reaſon of the already mention'd different Swiftneſs of Motion, changing their Place in Reſpect of thoſe of the Upper Sphere, there will from thence ariſe different Megnetical Poles, which will ſerve to Solve all the *Phænomena* of the Needle's Variation that have been yet obſerved. The two Poles of the upper Sphere are fix'd, and if the Needle were wholly Governed by them, the Variations of it wou'd be always nearly the ſame, it is therefore the Gradual Tranſlation of the Poles of the Internal Sphere that directs it Variouſly, and cauſes a gradual Change of the Variation in the ſame Place; but after the Revolution of this Internal Ball the Variations will return as before. The Period of this Revolution is not yet diſcovered but muſt be left to the Enquiry of Future Ages; for the Variation has only been found out about a 100 Years, and there want due Obſervations to bring this Theory to Perfection. The Application of this Hypothetis to all the Particularities of the Needle's Variation as they are ſet down by Mr. *Halley's Chart*, being very eaſy, we ſhall leave to the Curious Reader.

Q. Gentlemen, *You are deſired to Enumerate the Qualities of* Garlick, *good or bad. Likewiſe thoſe of* Betony; *and if proper to mix this laſt with* Tobacco.

A. Garlick is Aperient, Diſcutient, Alexipharmick, Carminative, Cephalick, Pectoral, Diuretick and Nephritick: It is hurtful to the Head and Eyes, and Injurious to Cholerick Conſtitutions.

Betony is Attenuating, Aperient and Vulnerary: It is very beneficial in Diſorders of the Head, Breaſt, Liver and Spleen, and Conſequently not Improper to be mixed with your *Tobacco*.

Q. Gentlemen, *I beg your Direction how Diſcretion may be attain'd while Young, for on it depends the Favor of a good Father to his Son, and without it there is no hope. The Youth loves his Bed, longs after Plumb-Pudding, Goosberry-Pye and Lumps of Sugar; is Slovenly in his Cloaths, Clowniſh in his Carriage, and ſomething Moroſe in his Temper; but which is worſe then all this, he is Careleſs, Negligent and Delatory in his Learning, eſpecially in learning to Write a good Running-hand, which is deſign'd to be his Buſineſs. I have told you the worſe of him, I think it is but Juſtice to give you the other part of his Character; he is naturaly Obliging (if he be not firſt Diſoblig'd) and fit to be Truſted; he hates Lying and ſcorns to Deceive any Body, Gentile in his Mind tho' Defective in his Manners, given to Study, ſeeking Information every where, both from Books and in Converſation, which he makes uſe of to Mend his Judgment, but not to Reform his Behavior. When he is ſent about Buſineſs he rather Flies than Walks, performing whatever he undertakes of that kind with great Expedition. His Expences never exceed Four-pence Half-peny a Week, and that at the Coffee-Houſe to ſee the News. He is never from Home without leave, and keeps to his time.* Gentlemen, *my Requeſt is, that you wou'd adviſe him for the beſt, and likewiſe how you wou'd deal with him were he a Son of your own.*

Which is all from Yours, &c.

A. Madam, We are not only Authors of moſt of our own Misfortunes, but what is much worſe, by making a wrong Judgment on things, we often miſapprehend even our good Fortunes for Misfortunes, ſo inſtead of picking Good out of Evil, we pick Evil out of Good. Here's a Father diſcomforted on apprehenſion that his Son will not come up to his Hopes, when he has all the Reaſon in the World to Rejoyce at the Promiſes he gives of anſwering his Expectations, not only from the Proſpect of his *Fair ſide*, but even from many Beauties diſcoverable in that which you expoſe for his *Blind-ſide*: Nay, what may be really Faults, are ſuch as may be eaſily amended. *He Loves Plumb-Pudding*. Did he love Plain Pudding, we cou'd give little Hopes, for 'tis thought a great duller of the Brain, but this ſhews a Gentile Fancy, alſo a good Judgment in Correcting the *Alcalies* with *Acids*. *Goosberry Pye* is thought to quicken the Wit. As for *Lumps of Sugar*, let him Eat them in abundance, ſince every *Old Wife* will tell you it Sweetens the Diſpoſition, which his Sower Temper ſeems to want. As for *Lying a Bed*, a little Cow-Itch helps. To be a *Sloven in Cloaths, Clowniſh in Carriage and Moroſe in his Temper*, are Marks of a Philoſopher. His Writing a bad Hand gives Hopes he may prove a great States man, Famous Lawyer, or Eminent Phyſician, all which rarely Write good ones.

But allowing what you repreſent as Faults to be ſuch, he ſeems to have all the Ingredients which compoſe an Excellent Perſon, there needs only the mixing and blending them together, with Incouragement for his Practiſe therein. Perſuade him to apply his natural diſpatch in Buſineſs, to a Sedulity in attaining a good Hand, as neceſſary to the Improving his diſpatch of Buſineſs. To let that Theory of Gentility that is fix in his Mind, break out into Practiſe, to convince others he is Maſter of what he pretends to; and ſo of his other Qualifications. But for Incouragement, with every Precept give him a huge Lump of Sugar (if Double-refin'd 'tis the better, ſince intended to Double-refine him) but with this Proviſo, he engages Performance and then (ſince he hates Lying) you have good Security for his Reformation.

POEMS.

Q. APOLLO, *I am come to tell ye,*
I've lately Buried my Wife Nelly,
And where's the Hurt, perhaps you'll ſay,
To part with ſuch ill temper'd Clay;
Or think wherefore you ſhou'd Condole,
For ſuch a worthleſs, Scolding Soul,

As is that Noisy thing, a Wife,
Bane of our Comfort, Plague of Life:
Why if I must my Mind Relate,
I'd rather you'd Congratulate,
My safe Deliv'rance from that Evil,
No matter if She's gone to'th' Devil.
But this is what my Joy redoubles,
And makes amends for former Troubles,
That Fortune *has of late Espous'd me,*
And from a low Condition rous'd me;
To that of Gentleman, wherefore,
As the Saying is, much wou'd have more;
I strait resolv'd to hunt a Fortune,
And for Success did much Importune;
But th' Progress made, will now Rehearse,
In this my Rude, Unpolish'd Verse.

Precisely Beauish, Neat and Gay
(A sign I'm of no Common Clay)
To Madam Lucy, *Sweet and kind,*
I soon Addrest and told my Mind;
A Fortune *as 'twas made appear,*
Of Fifteen Hundred Pounds a Year:
She seem'd Surpriz'd at the first Sight,
Of one so Modish and Polite,
So very Brisk, and likewise Active,
That quickly I her Heart did Captive;
Proud of Success, I soon grew Wanton,
And her Perfection wou'd discant on;
As first to Compliment her Hair,
So light and fine, so Sweet and Fair,
Protesting such was very rare,
That formerly, as she did Live,
A Guinea'n ounce 'twould surely give,
If not much more.

She took the Hint, and made this Answer,
Sir, I perceive you've been a Tonsor,
Therefore avant Mechanic Fool,
Do'st think I'll Marry such a Tool!
No, Sir! It must be one that's bred,
A Gentleman, *if e'er I Wed.*
I Thunder struck, cou'd make no Answer,
No not one Syllable advance, Sir;
In my Excuse, therefore Apollo,
Advise what Course I'd best to follow,
Tell which way, I must take my aim
This Charming Lady to regain,
Or it will sure Distract my Brain.

And then you'll hear no more from,

DON TONSERO.

A. Give *Lucy* over, for 'tis plain,
You'll ne'er Recover her again;
For tho' a *Gentleman* in shape,
And Garbe, you're re'lly but his *Ape:*
And this *Brass-Money* may look well,
Yet all, the *Brass* will quickly Smell.

But if you are resolv'd t' Importune,
Nothing beneath a Swinging *Fortune:*
The Widow of some Wealthy *Chandler*
Address, you will more eas'ly Handle Her:
Or if you are resolv'd on Gentry,
To *Hampstead* go and there stand Centre,
Observe the Coaches as they pass,
You soon will find some Flouncing Lass,
Some formal Prim, or aukward Tit,
Which, tho' in Town, they are plain Cit;
Cheesemonger's or *Soapboiler's* Daughters,
Sent there to Flaunt 't and Drink the Waters:
Yet on their first arrival there,
They all the Pink of Gentry are;
And People bow on their approaches,
In Reverence to Gilded Coaches.
Go thither and you'll soon be Match'd,
To Gentry, tho' a little Patch'd,
And Piebald 'tis, yet we must tell ye,
They're fitter to Succeed your *Nelly:*
We hope this, Comforting Response, Sir,
For we'd by no means loose our *Tonsor.*

Q. *Say,* Ye Learned Sages *of the Land,*
Who ev'ry Science understand;
Whose Lines are all Clean and Polite,
And all your Thoughts Sublime and Bright:
Say (for you sure or none can tell)
Of all, what Pleasure *doth excell;*
What most Delight *of all doth give,*
At least what you the Cheif believe:
Or rather, what Thought such you find,
Most general 'mongst all Mankind?

A. We find all *Pleasures* and *Delights*
Do vary with our *Appetites;*
The *Drunkard* does his Soul Resign
(As most Consummate Bliss) to *Wine;*
And they of a *Lascivious Air,*
Tast Joys Extatic in *the Fair;*
The Man of *Honor,* thinks all Charms,
Are Flat and Dull, to those of *Arms;*
Th' *Ambitious* Man, in Mounting High,
Rivals the Glories of the *Sky;*
And Tasts those *Pleasures,* those below
(He is most certain) never know.
A *Thought* the *Poet* Rapture gives,
Who thinks that none besides him Lives.
All *Pleasures* thus are in Degrees,
Just as each Tast they hap to please.

But that which is most General,
And such esteem'd, by almost all,
Is getting *Wealth,* since Men to this,
Will Sacrifice each other *Bliss;*

Honor

Honor and Innocence are Sold,
And Eaſe and Health, for Potent *Gold*;
Nor is it ſtrange it ſhou'd be ſo,
Since other *Pleaſures* from it Flow,
At leaſt moſt fancy all the Reſt,
By having this, will be Poſſeſt.

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SIR,

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Which is all from Yours, *&c.*

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